

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.  
12:1-11

In those days: Herod the king laid violent hands on some who belonged to the church. He killed James the brother of John with the sword, and when he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread. And when he had seized him, he put him in prison, delivering him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending after the Passover to bring him out to the people. So Peter was kept in prison, but earnest prayer for him was made to God by the church. Now when Herod was about to bring him out, on that very night, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries before the door were guarding the prison. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood next to him, and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him, saying, and 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his hands. And the angel said to him, 'Dress yourself and put on your sandals.' And he did so. And he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.' And he went out and followed him. He did not know that what was being done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision. When they had passed the first and the second guard, they came to the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went out and went along one street, and immediately the angel left him. When Peter came to himself, he said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting. The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 34(33): 2-3.4-5.6-7.8-9

R. From all my terrors, the Lord set me free.

I will bless the Lord at all times,  
praise of him is always in my mouth.  
In the Lord my soul shall make its boast;  
the humble shall hear and be glad.

Glorify the Lord with me;  
together let us praise his name.  
I sought the Lord, and he answered me;  
from all my terrors he set me free.

Look towards him and be radiant;  
let your faces not be abashed.  
This lowly one called; the Lord heard,  
and rescued him from all his distress.

The angel of the Lord is encamped  
around those who fear him, to rescue them.  
Taste and see that the Lord is good.  
Blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

A reading from the Second Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy.

4:6-8,17-18

Beloved: I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but also to all who have loved this appearing. The Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia.

You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Alleluia.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

16:13-19

At that time: When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is? And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter replied, 'You are Christ, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Emeritus Bishop Ralph will be celebrating his Golden Jubilee of Ordination at St Marie's Cathedral on 10<sup>th</sup> July. If parishioners would like to make a gift to Bishop Ralph for his Jubilee and to thank him for his ministry as Bishop as he leaves us, please put your donation in an envelope marked "Bishop Ralph" and give it to Fr Stephen or Fr Dominic. Alternatively, you can donate directly to the account: HSBC, Diocese of Hallam, 40-41-07, 61093908 with the narrative "Bishop Ralph"

		<b>Ss Peter &amp; Paul A 26</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	6.00 pm	Yolanta Overton Birthday Memories	St MM
<b>Sunday</b>	9.30 am	Helen McHugh Birthday Blessings	St Ter
<b>Sunday</b>	11.30 am	Steve Clay	Bl Sac
<b>Saturday</b>	Reader	Chris Archer	St MM
<b>Sunday</b>	Reader	Dickie Denton & Mary Ann Bailey	St Ter
<b>Sunday</b>	Reader	Paul	Bl Sac
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.30 am	People of the Parish	St Ter
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.30 am	Cathy McNicholas Bdy	St MM
<b>Friday</b>	9.30 am	Alba (Sick Baby)	Bl Sac

**14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time A 26 A 26**

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>6.00 PM</b>	<b>RON BRADBURY RIP (C &amp; T Mc)</b>	<b>ST. MM</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>9.30 AM</b>		<b>ST TER</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>11.30 AM</b>	<b>ANNIE &amp; ERNEST OATES</b>	<b>BL SAC</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>READER</b>	<b>PAUL GORMAN</b>	<b>ST MM</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>READER</b>	<b>CHRIS HORBURY &amp; JASON WANG</b>	<b>ST TER</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>READER</b>		<b>BL SAC</b>

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**OFFERTORY DONATIONS**

**Thank you to all our parishioners for your generous Offertory Donations**

St Ter Env £120.00 LM £1.22

St MM Env £ LM £ Raffle £ Tba

Bl Sac Env £198.50 LM £46.13 Raffle £31.00

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Level 1 Beginners, Level 2 Intermediate, and Level 3 Advanced Certificates. Please see Parish Safeguarding Representatives for more information.

Each Parish has a Poster with further information.

SUMMER GARDEN PARTY – with an official welcome to the Parish of Fr Dominic Jenkinson. Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2026 at 2.00pm at St Mary Magdalene’s BBQ – Refreshments – Raffle – Tombola – Quiz – and fun for all the family

Holy Rood Parish will be hosting the relics of St Gerard Majella, (Patron Saint of mothers, couples trying to conceive, for those looking for work, and for making a good confession) Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July – veneration & confessions from 6pm. Mass at 7pm followed by blessings with relics. All welcome to attend.

St Teresa’s Darton – Coffee Morning Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June for Confirmations

The funeral of Christine Xuereb will take place at St Mary Magdalene’s on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July at 12pm.

**Welcome to the parishes of**

**St Teresa’s**

**Blessed Sacrament**

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Ss Peter & Paul

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and the gates of hell shall not  
prevail against it.

I will give to you the keys of heaven,  
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